Radiant

**Radiant**-*beaming-brilliant-gleaming-glittering-glorious-glowing-shining-sparkling*

***“But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.” 1 John 1:7***

The topic is radiant, but allow me to interject what I believe has to be the real key to radiance. Worship. How can one be Radiant and not be a worshipper? I would say it is impossible. The Radiance of God can only be visible through a life of one who worships Jesus. Maybe this quote regarding missions and worship will help us understand how we can be more radiant. “Missions exist because worship doesn’t.” What? Read it again, several times if necessary. John Piper said this because he realized that missions was temporary and worship was eternal. Just because we are labeled missionaries doesn’t imply that we are Radiant. To be radiant demands that we be worshippers.

So why are we going to Cameroon to serve and aid in Bible Translation? Because, we want those who have never heard or read about Jesus in their own language to be able to. The main goal is that all peoples (nations, tribes, tongues) will have the opportunity to hear about Jesus, believe in Jesus and worship Jesus…….therefore becoming Radiant.

*“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,* ***10****and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”” Revelation 7:9-10 (ESV)*

We could never muster up enough righteousness on our own to be Radiant to the point that we effect others, eternally. This is something God has to do in and through us. Having a living relationship with the Creator of everything is the foundation of a radiant life. We live in order to make much of Jesus and His Gospel. This happens because we love Him and desire to worship Him, and so we walk in the light as He is in the light. Radiant!